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### LONDON IS NOW IN A QUEER SOCIAL MAZE

PARSONS WORKING IN STORES TO EKE OUT A LIVING.

Trouseritis Has Seized Upon the Women—Jazz Music Cutting Down Wedding Bells.

By Nina Bancroft.

United Press Staff Correspondent.) LONDON, Dec. 13—These be weird and wonderful days and you never know whether the man in the store is there to sell you socks or save your soul.

Our parsons are giving up the church as a livelihood and taking up positions as salesmen. Their anxiety for our spiritual welfare hovers in the background as a "hobby."

One is really nervous these days to walk up and ask for a pair of silk stockings. Maybe that nice-looking young assistant behind the counter will preach you a short sermon on the stockings' unrighteousness and send

you away clutching a parcel of homelimited-woolens which you'll never wear, or making vows of eternal hemspun which you'll never keep.

It's very difficult. Of course, it's not that we don't like parsons—we just dote on them in the pulpit but the people don't pay enough to keep them there. And it is harrowing to think that some of those curates who tell you such soulful things every Sunday should not have the wherewithal to keep the home fires burning.

There is a serious outbreak of trouseritis among women.

The men blame this on the fact that somebody once said trousers were "daring," and now women find them an ever recurring temptation.

Certain it is that wherever women are permitted to don the basic bifurcations you seek in vain for a skirt. At all the recent fancy-dress balls, in the newest reviews and in the latest frocks women go trousered, therefore happy.

At the victory ball girls were dressed either in Eastern costume, as pierrots, little boys, or strange futurist things of which you couldn't recog-

nize the character but noticed it was bitten by the trouseritis germ.

Men bewail it, and are trying to effect a cure by pointing out that trousers are the most modest things ever invented.

In these times women have no hesitation in confessing their true age.

Every day some fair young thing lets in the light of day as regards the length of her horrible past. Thirty has no fears for her, thirty-five is acknowledged with a smile, and the once senile forties are rapped out without a blush.

On bended knee, men are pleading; with them to be more mystic. They crave the allurements of unfathomable secrets. "You insist on introducing us to your shoulders and your backs—but, for the love of Mike keep a bit of chiffon round your age!" they say.

This, combined with the jag bands, accounts for the slump in wedding-bells.

The love bug finds it impossible to bite a man who's jumping to the syncopations of the "jazz." So now balls are arranged with a waltz or

two thrown in here and there just to give Cupid a look in.

The matchmaking mammy has lots of advice to give to her daughter.

"My dear, when Lord Shirkitt asks you for a dance, be sure to make it a waltz. Don't dance any of those silly fox-trot or one-step things with him, for he's the nicest young man in London and has a bigger bank account than anyone I know."

And the dutiful daughter spends an unhappy but tense evening in the dressing room, listening through all the rag time monstrosities for the welcome, uplifting, strains of a dreamy waltz.

Then she floats into the dancing-ring Skikitt floats out of single blessedness.

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### Would Be Up to Date.

Minnie, five years old, lives in the country. One summer she was taken to visit in town, where she was much interested in the electric lights. The first time the faithful kerosene burner was lighted after her return home she looked at it with evident disfavor, then ran to her father with: "Papa, let's give our lamps away and get us some gas lights in bottles."

### Smallest Bird.

The golden-crested wren is the smallest of all European birds. Its average weight is only about eighty grains Troy, so that it would take seventy-two of the birds to weigh a pound. The length of the feathers is about three and a half inches. When the feathers are off, the body is only an inch long.

### Woman's Sphere in Japan.

"Most servants in Japan can only cook a little rice in plain, hot water," says a Tokyo lawyer. "They know nothing about fixing all the good things that go with the rice. That is why the women of Japan are too busy to get lonely or to need clubs."—Adelaide Lyons in World Outlook.

### Experience.

It seems to me it is the same with love and happiness as with sorrow—the more we know of it the better we can feel what other people's lives are or might be, and so we shall only be more tender to them and wishful to help them.—George Eliot.

### First Branch, Then Root.

How the branch of a tree may turn into a root and later become a branch again is illustrated by the behavior of some of the vegetation of the shifting sand regions of Indiana and Michigan, on the shores of the Great Lakes.

### Pigeons Are Speedy.

In calm weather a carrier pigeon can fly at the rate of 1,200 yards a minute. With the help of a moderate wind it will attain a speed of 1,540 yards, and before a high wind, 2,000 yards.

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